



# Woodland Health

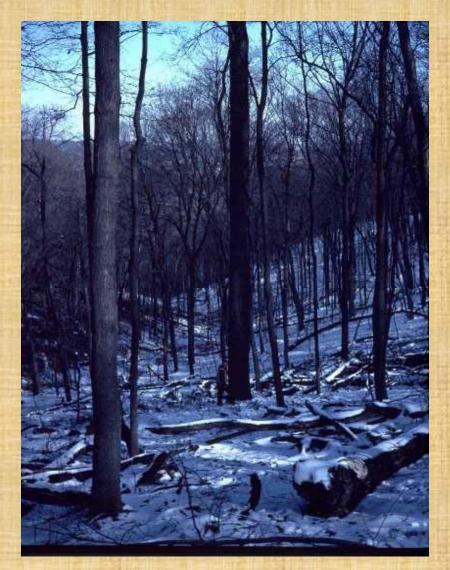
**Emerging Threats & Potential Solutions** 





### Iowa's Forest Cover

- lowa's forests cover 8% of our landscape
- 87% of our 3 million acres are owned by private landowners (FIA)
- 13% in public ownership.
- 26+ million urban trees



#### Threats

- Current ExoticInvasive Threats
  - Emerald Ash Borer (EAB)
  - Gypsy Moth
  - Bur Oak Blight

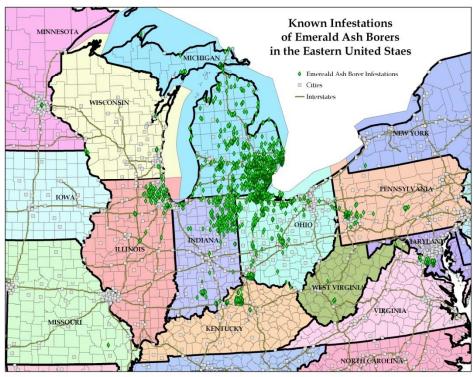
- Potential Exotic Invasive Pests
  - Thousand Cankers
     Disease of Walnut
  - Asian Long-Horned Beetle

#### EAB

- Introduced into United
  States in Detroit,
  Michigan Started killing
  trees in 2002
- Metallic green beetle smaller than a penny
- Kills all species of ash in North America
- Confirmed in Iowa on May 14, 2010



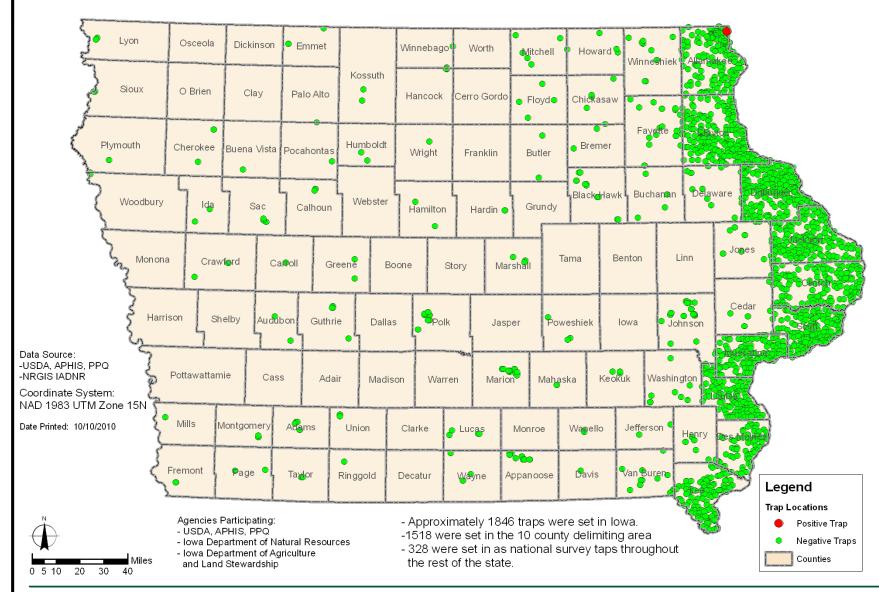


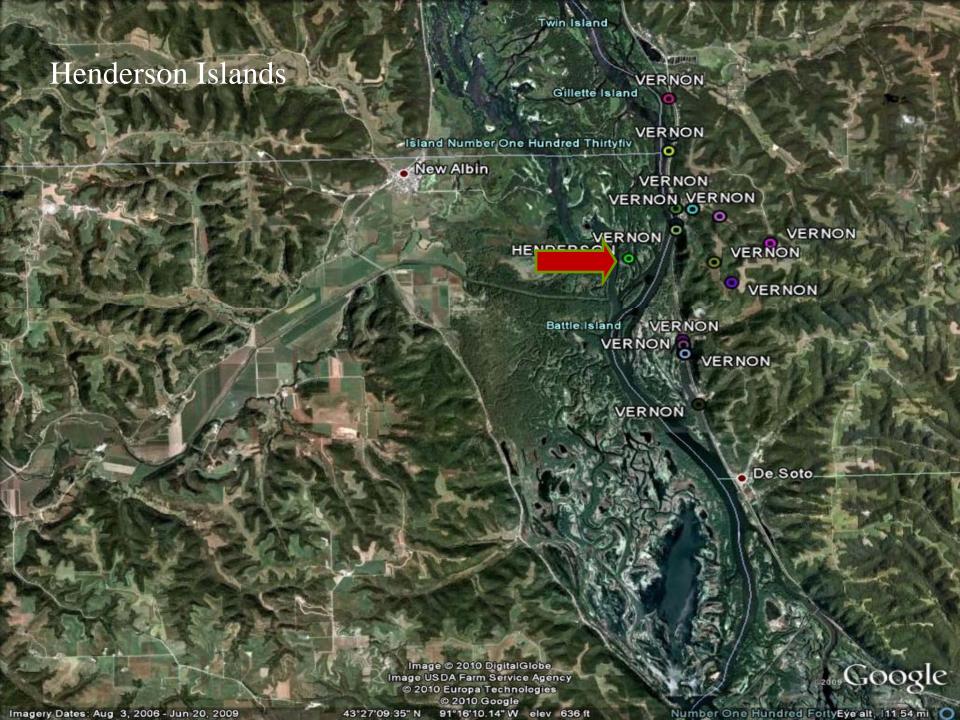


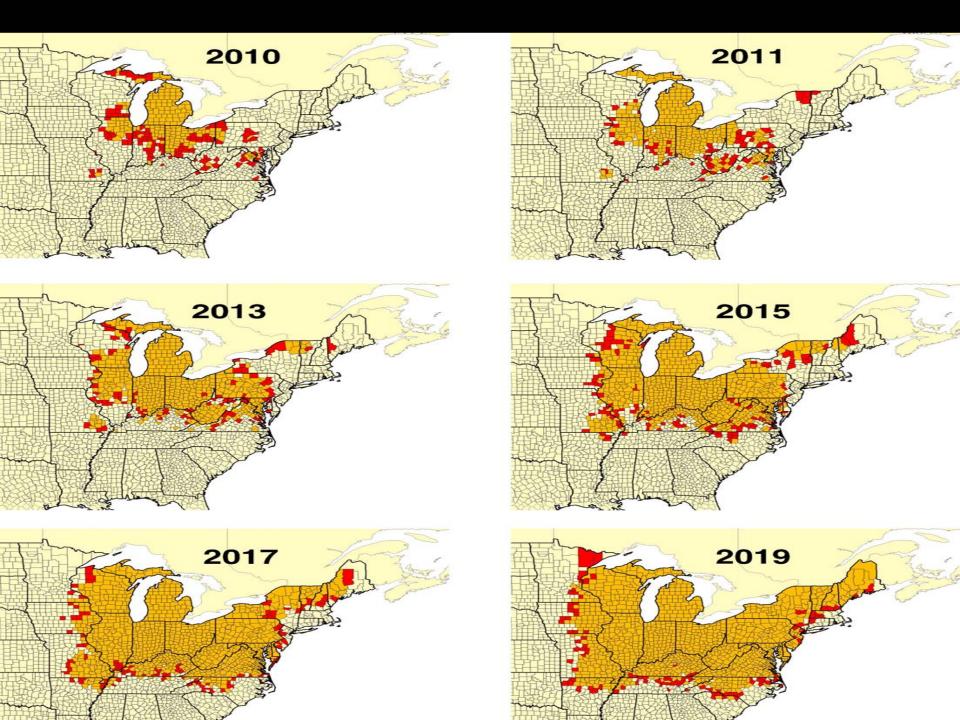


#### 2010 Iowa EAB Trap Survey









#### EAB

- 52 million woodland ash trees
  - 3.1 million urban ash trees





#### EAB

#### **Economic Impact**

- \$27 million over the next 20 years to landowners & wood industry
- \$1.56 billion in urban removal costs &1 billion in benefits (energy savings, property values etc.)





## Gypsy Moth

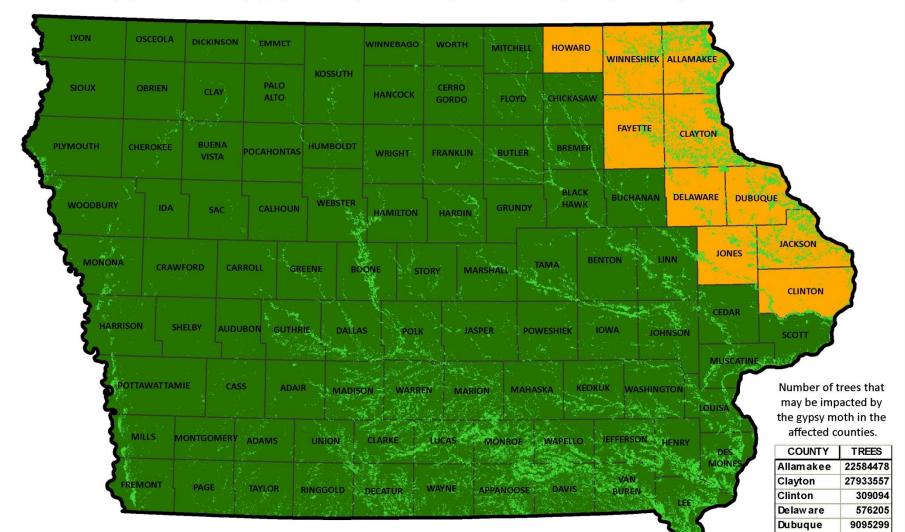
- Brought intoMassachusetts in 1869
  - Attempt to breed superior silkworm
- GM caterpillars
  defoliate over 300 plant
  species They like oak
  Captured 2,260 male
  moths in 2010 3X the

previous high catch





#### **CURRENT COUNTIES IMPACTED BY GYPSY MOTH**



Forest

**Gypsy Moth Impact** 

No Yes Species included in the numbers are hawthorn, American basswood, oaks, willows, red cedars, plum and pines. The numbers are based on Forest Service, Forest Inventory Assessment (FIA) data, 2008.

Statewide total trees which could be impacted by gypsy moth = 225,514,182. Total number of host-tree species in impacted counties = 80,733,161

Map created September 17, 2010

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Jackson

Jones

**TOTAL** 

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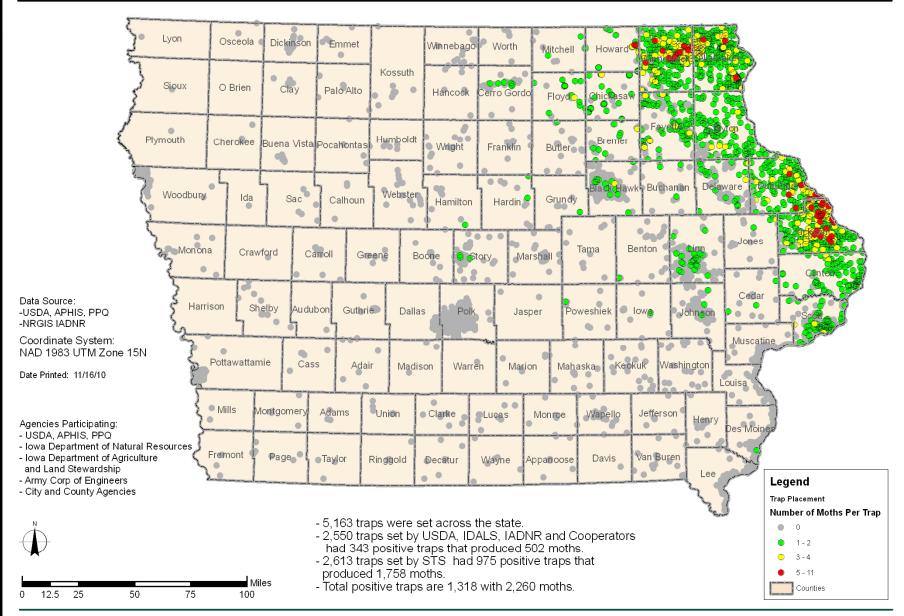
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### MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVE - EGG MASSES/ACRE

- Recreation Nuisance Prevention 250
- Wildlife Mast (Nut) Production 500
- Aesthetics 650
- Timber 1,200





### Human Health

Skin rash
 Possible upper respiratory tract symptoms.
 (HealthLinkBC)



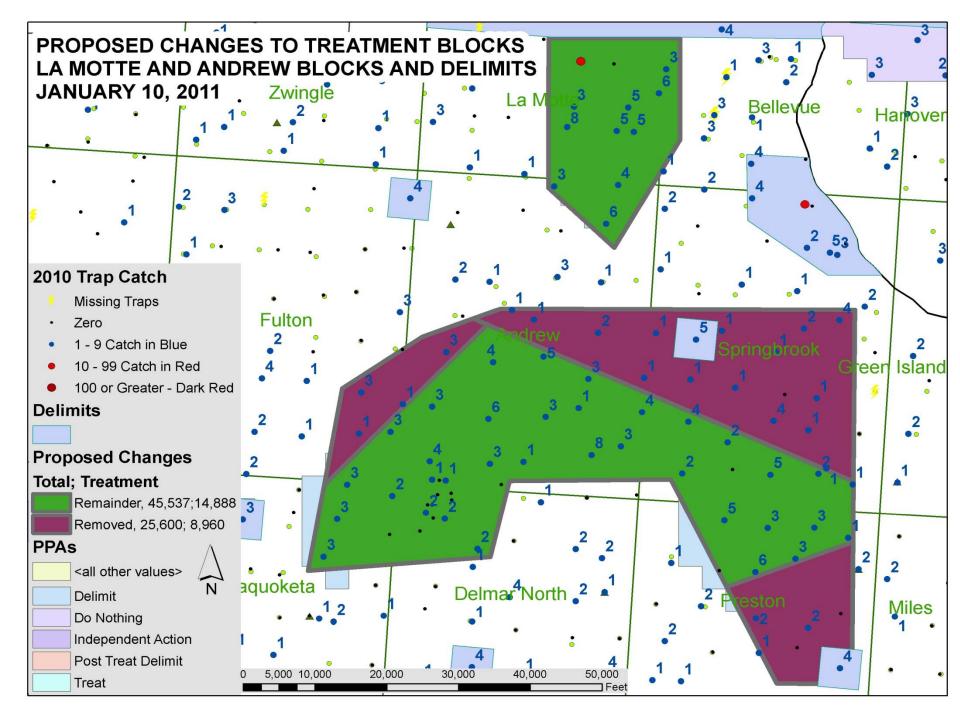


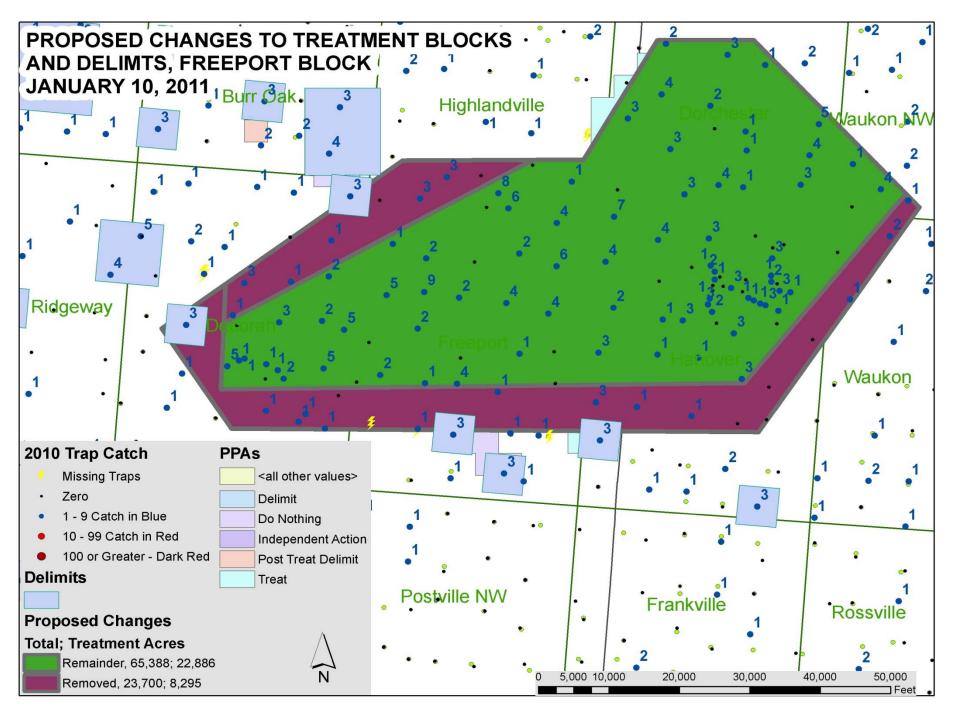
## Gypsy Moth

- **Economic Impact** 
  - \$551 million over the next 20 years to landowners & wood industry
  - \$4.1 billion in urban removal, replacement and benefits (energy savings, property values etc.)







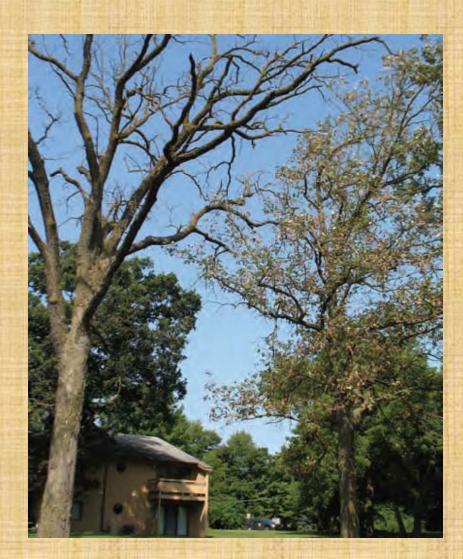




# Bur Oak Blight

Fungal disease
 of bur oak –
 browning leaves
 to mortality
 Statewide





#### BOB

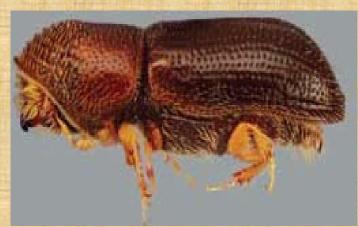
- **Economic Impact** 
  - \$19 million over the next 20 years to landowners & wood industry
  - \$613 million in urban removal, replacement and benefits (energy savings, property values etc.)





# 1,000 Cankers Disease of Walnut (TCD)

- Insect Disease Complex
- Walnut Twig Beetle
  - Historically did not cause mass branch mortality.
- Geosmithia morbida
  - Previously not an important plant pathogen.
- Causes 1,000s of lesions from mass attack
- West of the Rocky
  Mountains. Found in
  Tennessee in 2010







### TCD

- **Economic Impact** 
  - \$1.8 billion within
     20 years of arrival
     to landowners &
     wood industry
  - \$859 million in urban removal, replacement and benefits (energy savings, property values etc.)



#### Why Does It Matter?

## Economy

- \$2.4 billionwoodland owners& wood industry
- \$8.1 billion in urban removal & replacement costs & lost benefits





#### Why Does It Matter?

## Economy

- Wood based businesses:
  - \$4 billion in products
  - \$916 million in payroll
  - 18,000 jobs





# LIABILITY: MAYWOOD, ILLINOIS

- Thirty-two inch diameter green ash
- Located partially on private property and partially on Village Property
- One of two large scaffolds split out of tree
- Two fatalities
- Settlement totaled \$3.35
  Million





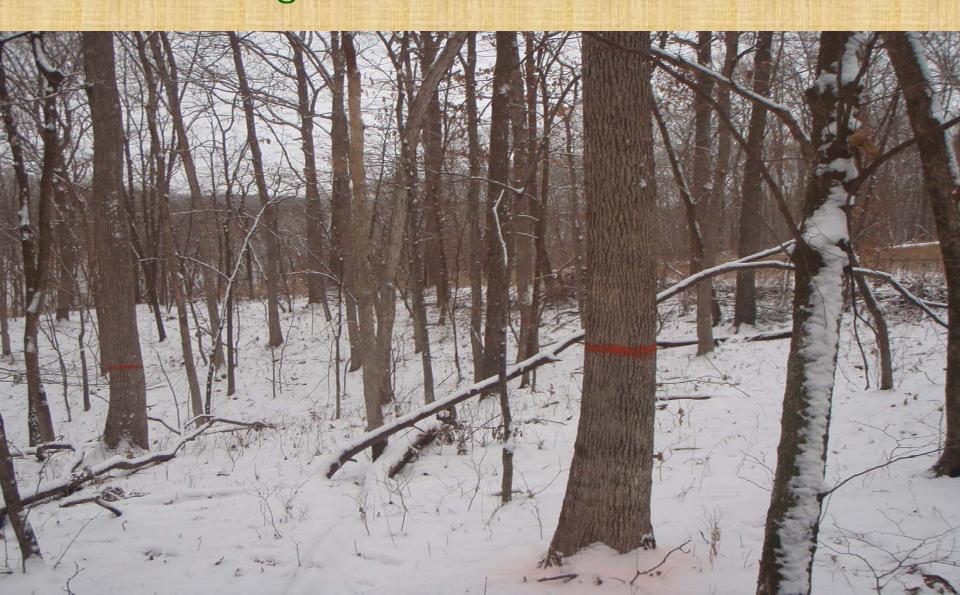
### Solutions

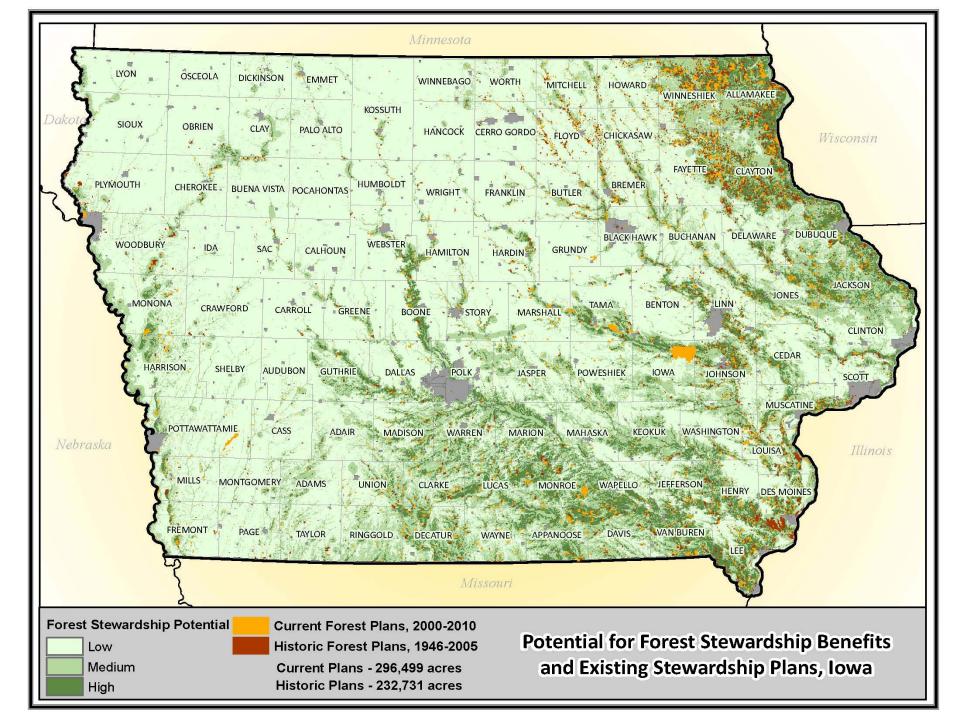
- Limit movement of firewood & raw wood material

  Monitor for pests
  - Control
  - Quarantine
  - Take care of woodlands & community forests
- Active Management



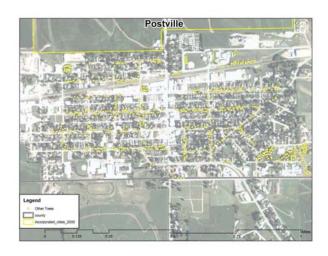
# Rural Solutions – Healthy Woodlands Take Planning





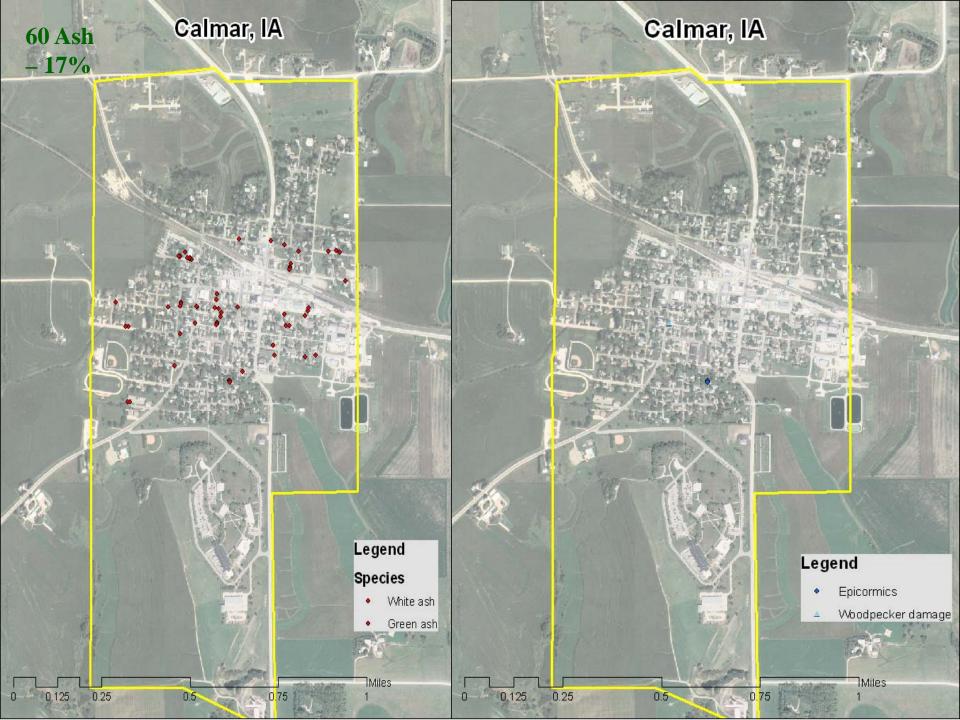
# Urban Solutions - Diverse Community Forests/Planning

#### Postville, IA



2010 Management Plan
Prepared by Emma Bruemmer & Tivon Feeley
Bureau of Forestry, Iowa DNR

- Postville's trees provide \$122,253 of benefits annually
- There are over 27 species of trees
- The top three genus are:
  Maple 45%, Ash 17% and
  Oak 15%
- Ash removal and replacement will cost an estimated \$117,000.



# Solutions - Healthy Woodlands Initiative -

Increased
Technical &
Planning
Assistance

Coalition for Iowa's Woodlands & Trees

- Funding for community tree removal & replacement
- Funding to
  Assist
  Landowners with
  FSI













